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Federal Election Commission
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RE: MUR 5197 - Request for Extension of Time to Respond

Dear Commissioners:

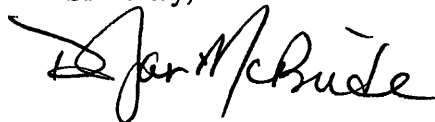
On April 24, 2001, I received notice of the complaint which the National Taxpayers Union (NTU) recently filed against the NRSC.

The complaint focuses on the propriety of campaign finance activity which occurred during the tenure of staff members who are no longer employed by this committee. This personnel turnover has affected most of the management staff, including the Counsel's Office. Due to these recent personnel changes, it is taking longer than expected to locate and obtain all of the relevant documentation that is needed for preparation of a response to this complaint.

Therefore, on behalf of the NRSC as well as myself as Assistant Treasurer, I am formally requesting an additional period of 30 days within which to file a written response to this complaint. Please provide written confirmation of your acceptance of my request.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



D. Jan McBride
Assistant Treasurer